

DOOR LEVER CONSTRUCTION WITH FRAGILE HANDLE

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A unique lever for being turned to actuate a door latch includes a shank mounted to the door. A handle, which is preferably crystal, is attached to an opposed end of the shank. A bolt extends through a bore in the handle and is secured to the shank, and at a remote end, to an end cap. The handle has a portion extending into a shallow pocket in both the shank and the end cap. The overall arrangement provides adequate support and a good force transmission surface from the handle to the shank such that the handle is unlikely to shatter.

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